

Grand Catalan Company  
Spanish mercenaries hired  
by Byzantine emperor to fight  
against the Turks.

1303

Genoese control trade of  
BLACK SEA

1303

Scobans

Battle of ROSLIN  
Peace treaty between France and  
England, excluding the Scots.

1303

Papal power declines

1303

Philip takes Pope Boniface prisoner  
at Anagni.

Boniface died; death-blow  
to Hildebrandine theory of  
papal sovereignty

1303-1304

195th Pope Bl. Benedict XI  
Treviso, Italy. When his mother  
visited him in his pontifical state,  
the Countess presented her arrayed  
in a rich dress; but the Pope  
would not recognize her until  
she appeared in the dress of her  
humble station. Then he arose,  
full of reverence and said:

"This is indeed my mother."

1303

Earthquake near Cairo, Egypt  
damaged the mosque built by  
Muslim General AMR IBN AL'AS  
in 641. It wrecked much of  
Cairo